

*Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1836.* Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1836.

6 William IV – Chapter 14

**An Act to provide for reporting and publishing the decisions of the Supreme Court. Passed 8th March 1836.**

'Whereas it is an object of great importance to obtain correct reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court in cases heard and determined in the said Court;'

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief of this Province for the time being, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Executive Council is hereby authorised to appoint some suitable person learned in the law, to be a reporter of the opinions, decisions and judgments which may from time to time be given, made and pronounced by the Supreme Court of judicature in this Province, or the Judges thereof, in, upon or respecting causes pending or that may hereafter be pending therein; and that it shall be the duty of such reporter by his personal attendance or by any other means in his power, to obtain true and authentic reports of such opinions, decisions and judgments; and such reporter shall publish not less than two hundred copies of the same in pamphlets after each term of the said Court.

II. And be It enacted, That the sole liberty of printing and reprinting, and publishing such reports, shall be and the same is hereby vested in and secured to the author and compiler thereof, his heirs and assigns; and if any person shall print, reprint or publish any such reports without the consent of the author and compiler or proprietor thereof, he shall be liable to an action on the case at the suit of such proprietor, in which action such proprietor shall recover double the damages he may have sustained by any such infringement of the copy right hereby secured to him.

III. And be it enacted, That in addition to any profits that may arise from the publication and sale of such reports, such reporter shall receive annually from the Province Treasury the sum of fifty pounds, to be paid by warrant of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, on the certificate of the Chief Justice of the said Court that such reporter has diligently performed the duties by this Act required of him for the year for which such allowance may be claimed.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be and continue in force for three years and no longer.